

# 33rd Annual Statewide Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics

## 2019

### Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics



**Delaware** – The **33rd ANNUAL STATEWIDE LAW ENFORCEMENT TORCH RUN FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS** involving over **500** Law Enforcement Officers and spanning 160 miles will be held between **Wednesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>** and **Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup>**. The 2019 event is the 33rd annual Torch Run, and in its history, Delaware Law Enforcement will have raised nearly \$8 million.

Special Olympics Delaware provides a year-round program of quality sports training and athletic competition for children and adults with intellectual disabilities and/or cognitive delays. A family of over 4,000 volunteers makes this program possible for the more than 4,200 athletes who compete in Special Olympics Delaware. The organization builds sports skills, confidence, strength, motivation, and self-esteem ... not just for the athletes, but for everyone involved.

This year's Torch Run will be a three-day event, starting in Rehoboth Beach on **Wednesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 p.m. Live music by 33 1/3 will lead the gala Torch Run sendoff from the **Rehoboth Beach Bandstand** at 7:00 p.m.

On **Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup>** the Torch will start at Delmar (6:00

a.m., Rt.13 and Rt.54), Lewes (6:30 a.m., Troop 7), and Georgetown (7:30 a.m., The Circle), and will travel to Milford, Harrington, and Dover where a brief stop will be held at Legislative Hall at 2:00 p.m., and then continue on to Smyrna and Odessa.

The event continues on **Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup>** from Troop 9 at 6:00 a.m., with the Torch proceeding to the Wilmington Police Headquarters in Wilmington for a 9:45 a.m. celebration. The event culminates with a final leg into the University of Delaware Bob Carpenter Center for the official opening of the [2019 Summer Games](#) where the **Special Olympics Flame of Hope** will be delivered.

Information about the event and maps of the run can be found by clicking on the attached link: <http://www.sode.org/fundraisers/law-enforcement-torch-run>.

***Presented by the Director of Public Information, Sergeant Richard Bratz***

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